

Coastal Impact Assistance Program (CIAP)
Required Information and Selection Criteria for Projects Nominated for CIAP
Funding

Information required for all CIAP project nomination submittals:

1. Project Title: The funding of an “Americorp on the Bayou” Program
2. Entity/Individual nominating the project: Lafourche Parish Government
3. Contact Information (Name, Address, Telephone, Email): Windell Curole
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4. Total CIAP Funds Requested: \$1,200,000.00 over four years
5. Parish CIAP Funds Proposed:
6. State CIAP Funds Requested:
7. Infrastructure Funds Proposed: N/A
8. Description and Location of Project: This program will bring environmentally minded youth from around the nation to learn, teach and work in Lafourche wetlands and schools.
9. Project Type (from list below of authorized CIAP fund uses): Conservation, restoration and protection of coastal area, including wetland.
10. Project Justification: The Les Reflections Da Bayou organization is non-profit and used to have an “Americorp on the Bayou” Program at one time. This program was very successfully run under this organization. The Americorp program was discontinued for technical reasons. Lafourche Parish feels that this is a perfect opportunity to reestablish the Americorp program through using CIAP funds.
11. Project cost share (Types and amounts of non-CIAP funds proposed, if any):
N/A

Types of Projects authorized by the CIAP legislation:

1. Conservation, restoration and protection of coastal area, including wetland.
2. Mitigation of damage to fish, wildlife and natural resources.
3. Planning assistance and the administrative costs of complying with this section
4. Implementation of a federally approve marine, coastal, or comprehensive conservation management plan.
5. Mitigation of the impacts of OCS activities through funding of onshore infrastructure projects and public service needs.

Not more than 23 percent of the CIAP funds received by the State or parishes for any fiscal year can be used for the purposes described in items 3 and 5.

Criteria to be used to Evaluate Proposed Coastal Restoration and Conservation Projects

1. Is the proposed project free of issues that may impact timely implementation of the project features?
2. Is the proposed project linked to a regional strategy for maintaining established landscape features critical to a sustainable ecosystem structure and function?
3. Does the proposed project protect health and safety or infrastructure of national, state, regional or local significance?
4. How cost effective is the proposed project?
5. What is the certainty of benefits resulting from implementation of the proposed project?
6. Does the proposed project address an area of critical conservation/restoration need or a high land loss area?
7. How sustainable are the benefits of the proposed project?